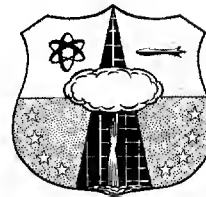


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REPLY TO
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SUBJECT:

Nuclear Effects Research Laboratory

TO:

Dr. Peter Scoville
c/o Col Edward Giller
AFOAR
Wash 25, DC

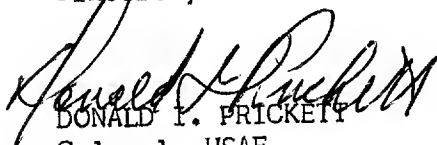
Dear Dr. Scoville

1. The Air Force Special Weapons Center will formally open the Nuclear Effects Research Laboratory on 20 November 1962. The purpose of this laboratory will be to investigate phenomena associated with nuclear detonations, and to understand how these phenomena affect the operation of defense systems, both present and future.
2. The proceedings will include a dedication ceremony, luncheon, and a scientific meeting at which invited papers will be given by some of the outstanding scientists in the particular research fields of interest to the laboratory. The following named individuals have agreed to present scientific papers:

Dr. James Van Allen	Space Science
Dr. Stanislaw M. Ulam	Nuclear Rocketry
Dr. Manfred A. Biondi	Atmospheric Reactions
Dr. Marshall Rosenbluth	Plasma Physics

3. I wish to extend to you a most hearty invitation to attend the dedication ceremony, luncheon, and the scientific meeting. I believe that this formal opening of the laboratory will provide the opportunity to gain a first-hand appreciation of the laboratory facilities and capabilities as a part of the Department of Defense in-house laboratory capability.

Sincerely


DONALD I. PRICKETT
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Director
Research Directorate

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